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High value house approvals on Cassowary Coast

For Queensland, the highest average values for private sector house approvals were recorded in Cassowary Coast and Brisbane, according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS).

This is just some of the regional data that can now be found through the new ABS data navigator, making it easy for local communities to view a wide range of different data for their area.

"The new *Data by Region* navigator provides an efficient and interactive way of accessing data", said Lisa Conolly from the ABS.

Data is available for hundreds of items including, population, births, average income levels, building approvals, number of aged pensioners, business counts, number of motor vehicles, land use, and much more.

For example, did you know that compared with the rest of Queensland:

- Cassowary Coast recorded the state's highest average value of private sector housing approvals in 2011-12, at \$943,100, followed by Brisbane at \$558,800
- Diamantina had the highest working age population (76.9 per cent of total population) while Fraser Coast had the lowest (59.3 per cent)
- Residents of Hinchinbrook were the oldest (median age of 46.4 years) while those of Cherbourg were the youngest (median age of 22.3 years)
- The highest proportion of registered motorcycles were in Gladstone (64 per 1,000 population) and Banana (51 per 1,000 population)
- The highest number of Department of Veteran's Affairs service pension recipients lived in Brisbane (7,015), Moreton Bay (4,513) and Gold Coast (4,228)

Regional information is available over a five year period up to 2012, so local communities can track changes over time in the characteristics of their areas.

Find data on a region of your interest by visiting www.abs.gov.au/databyregion

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